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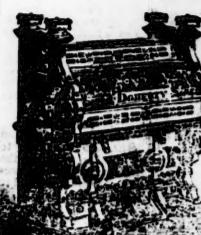
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The Moose Jaw Times.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 21, 1891.

In the Reginal Standard of last week
there appeared a letter, over the sig-
nature of W. D. Perley, presumably
of our Assiniboin Senator, which is by
all odds the grossest piece of scurrility
we have ever seen in print in the North
West Territories. The letter is, from
beginning to end, a tirade of abuse of
Mr. N. F. Davis, M. P. for Western
Assiniboin, and contains expressions
not fit for the lowest brothel in the
country. It can only wonder at a
respectable paper, like the Standard, al-
lowing its columns to be polluted with such
filth, or to be the medium for the
ventilation of personal spleen. Mr.
Davis may be a bad man morally, of
which we have as yet no proof,
but he is doing a good work at Ottawa
for the settlers of the North West.
We do not agree with his whole course
during the present session, but he has
nobly stood up for the North
West on many questions affecting
the interests of our constituents. He
has fulfilled the pledge made to the
electors, for proof of which we have
only to refer to his course re. Second
Homestead, Prairie Fires, Changes in
Land Laws, Immigration etc., etc., and
for which he deserves the thanks and
support of every settler in the country.
Mr. Davis has, as every body knows,
his own peculiar weaknesses, but his
eminent abilities, his devotion to the
interests of the Northwest and his de-
sire to do his very best for the country,
place him beyond the reach of injury
from such dangerous attacks. We fail
to see how the interests of the country
will be in any way advanced by a per-
sonal quarrel between our Senator and
our M. P. and certainly the letter, re-
cently published, will not raise the
Hon. Perley in the estimation of the
people which he represents.

The annual excursion and picnic of
the employees of the C. P. R. has be-
come one of the established events of
the season, and one that is looked for-
ward to with anticipations of pleasure,
not only by the employees and their
families but by the great majority of
the citizens of our town and district.
The object of the excursion—to raise
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nance of the library and reading room
in Moose Jaw is appreciated by every
resident of the town, and the result is
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assisting a worthy enterprise, every one
who attends is always sure of spending
a pleasant day. With the exception
of that of 1889, these picnics have
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station, in the beautiful bluffs, adjacent
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ded success and both funds received as
much if not more money than if there
had been two separate picnics. The
train from Moose Jaw, consisting of
engine and six coaches, decorated with
evergreens, flags and bunting, pulled
out from the station about 8 o'clock
having on board fully three hundred
persons, all on pleasure bent. The
train was in charge of that prince of
conductors, Wm. Rouatt, while the
clear eyed, watchful Con. Leary, occu-
pied the seat of honor and responsibility
at the throttle, being ably assisted by
Fireman Sharp. No thought of
danger marred the pleasure of the ex-
cursionists, as the train sped eastward
at the rate of 25 miles per hour, receiv-
ing fresh accessions to its load at Pas-
qua and Pense. Regina was reached
as a quarter to ten, where the party
was increased by about two hundred
residents of the Capital, who were
eager to participate in the day's plea-
sure. Two more coaches were taken
on for their accommodation, and all on
board were provided with comfortable
seating. QuAppelle was reached at
11 o'clock, the run of 75 miles having

been made in three hours including
stops. The Broadview train with
about five hundred excursionists had
arrived a few minutes earlier, and when
both parties got together they made the
largest crowd ever gathered together
at QuAppelle. The first care of the
picnickers was to get dinner which was
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tunate as not to come provided with
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A SCENE ON THE CHICAGO GRAIN EXCHANGE.

Below we give a description of a
scene on the Chicago grain exchange,
last Monday. It is impossible at the
present time to tell how the market
will open in the North West, but from
the present panic in the great markets
of the world, we believe that those who
sell early will be the gainers.

Chicago, Aug. 17.—To-day's excite-
ment when the market opened was en-
titled to be called insanity. When
the gong was struck announcing the
beginning of trading, the wheat pit was
a swaying, surging mass of brokers,
hatless and coatless, while the galleries
were packed to suffocation by wild-eyed
men who had money at stake in big
quantities in the gambling shop below.
December wheat closed at \$1.063 Sat-
urday, opened at \$1.10 and a shout that
was heard a block away. Scarce-
ly had the indicator noted this price when
there was another war-whoop and the
cereal was selling at \$1.13, with a few
transactions as high as \$1.14. Then
the men who had bought wheat in the
nineties began to take their profits
and the pressure to sell broke the market
down and at the end of the first
hour December was quoted at \$1.05.
The bulls, however, were sharpening
their horns for another toss, while the
bears declared the top had been re-
ached and that a decline would set in.
Corn was almost as excited as wheat.
September opened at 65, an advance of
2½ and after touching 68½ in a few
moments went back to 64½. Oats fol-
lowed suit, September selling at 30 5/8
and an advance of 1 7/8. Sept. pork
rose to \$10.60, an advance of 40c sub-
sequently breaking to \$10.47. On
the London, Paris, New York and St.
Louis exchanges, excitement was un-
usually great, corresponding changes
in prices being recorded.

Toward the close it became evident
the bulls had had their day. Offerings
became heavier and heavier, and when
the board closed, December wheat was
selling at \$1.03. It was a great day
for both sides, great for those bulls who
got out at the top figure, and great for
the bears who were lucky enough to
seize the highest point at which to put
out short wheat. Corn and oats closed
lower, in sympathy with wheat.

THE C. P. R. PICNIC.

A Large Crowd, Pleasant Weather and a
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He then gave a description of the
crop outlook throughout Canada, and
the prospects for emigration from the
eastern provinces to the North West.

In the maritime provinces the crops of
all kinds were unusually good. The
farmers of Quebec were doing better
than formerly, and in Ontario the crops
this year were above the average.

Taking these facts into consideration
he did not think that the North West
would get so many emigrants from
eastern Canada as if the crops were
poor. Still we might expect a larger
immigration than in any former year
since the country was opened up. The
attention of the people of England,
Scotland and Ireland, was being more
and more directed towards this Dominion
and he predicted that Canada
would get the bulk of the future emi-
gration from those countries.

He believed that Ladoga wheat is
the best for the North West. It is a
profuse, early ripening and a good mill-
ing variety. A gunsmith in British
Columbia, received a three pound bag
of Ladoga wheat and said he grew
fifty tons. The bags when he
had sown in his life was Ladoga wheat
grown last year near Prince Albert,
and which weighed 66 lbs per bushel.
He would like as many as possible of
the farmers to send their names to the
Experimental farm and a three pound
bag of this wheat would be sent to them
from which in a very few years they
could grow sufficient seed. He found
the crops in Manitoba and the Terri-
tories later than in the east, and later
than the average of previous years,
still from the nature of the weather
during the summer he did not antici-
pate frost until after harvest.

Professor Robertson then dealt at
some length with the operations of the
Dominion Government Experimental
farms, of which there are five, that
for the Maritime provinces at Langton;
for Ontario and Quebec at Ottawa; for
Manitoba at Brandon; for the Terri-
tories at Indian Head; for British Col-
umbia at Agassiz. At the Central
farm at Ottawa, of which he was in
charge of the Agricultural department,
they grew 181 different varieties of
grain, the object being to test and com-
pare the different varieties for the benefit
of the farmers of Canada. Last year
12,000 three pound bags of two
varieties of barley were sent out to farmers
and this year 11,000 bags were sent out.
They had eighty-two kinds of
grain growing on the Ottawa farm, and
of all the varieties tested, the native
grasses of the prairies of the North
West were the most nutritious, and
gave the best results. He expected
to have seed after a while to sell
to the farmers of the North West.
With regard to feeding stock, it did
not pay to feed much grain to cows,
from 6 to 8 lbs per day is sufficient.
Pigs do better on raw grain, crushed
than on boiled or steamed food. If
properly fed and killed at the proper
time, one pound of pork should be produced
from every 4 pounds of grain fed.
On the experimental farm they
had five breeds of pigs and he found
that Yorkshire and Berkshires was the best pig for the farmers.

With regard to fruit culture in the
North West he would not advise the
farmers to pay any attention to the
cultivation of the larger fruits until
they received more information on the
subject from the experimental farms.

